

# SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG Executive Board Meeting No. 306  
May 20, 1999 ■ MetroCenter Auditorium

1. Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Mary King at MetroCenter Auditorium, 101 8th Street, Oakland.

## **Representatives and Alternates**

Supervisor Mary King  
Supervisor Scott Haggerty  
Supervisor Mike Rippey  
Supervisor Mary Griffin  
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson  
Supervisor Joseph Simitian  
Supervisor William Carroll  
Mayor Cathie Brown  
Mayor Mark Green  
Mayor Gwen Regalia  
Councilmember Jane Bartke  
Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson  
Mayor Mary Lou Holt  
Ms. Naomi Weinstein  
Mr. Paul Horcher  
Mayor Doris Morse  
Councilmember Carol Klatt  
Councilmember Don Burnett  
Councilmember Stan Kawczynski  
Mayor David Fleming  
Councilmember Steve Rabinowitsh

## **Following Representatives and Alternates Absent**

Supervisor Mark DeSaulnier  
Supervisor Donna Gerber  
Supervisor Gayle Uilkema  
Supervisor Cynthia Murray  
Supervisor Steve Kinsey  
Supervisor Amos Brown  
Supervisor Michael Yaki  
Supervisor Leslie Katz  
Supervisor Leland Yee  
Supervisor Mark Leno  
Supervisor Gavin Newsom  
Supervisor Blanca Alvarado  
Supervisor Peter McHugh  
Supervisor Paul Kelley  
Supervisor Mike Kerns  
Councilmember John Russo  
Councilmember Richard Spees  
Councilmember Nancy Nadel  
Councilmember Manny Diaz  
Councilmember George Shirakawa, Jr.  
Councilmember Charlotte Powers  
Councilmember Alice Woody  
Councilmember Margie Matthews  
Councilmember Frank Fiscali

## **Jurisdiction**

Alameda County  
Alameda County  
Napa County  
San Mateo County  
San Mateo County  
Santa Clara County  
Solano County  
Alameda County Cities  
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Marin County Cities  
Napa County Cities  
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**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**3. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no announcements.

**4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Eugene Leong, ABAG's Executive Director, pointed out the brief update about ABAG activities contained in the board packet. Leong spoke about ABAG's new video, *Hometown Blues*, that examines ways to address regional housing and growth issues. A copy of the video will be mailed to each city, town, and county manager or administrator for use by their jurisdiction.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

A. Approval of Executive Board Summary Minutes

Board approved Summary Minutes of Meeting No. 305, March 18, 1999.

B. Grant Applications

Board approved transmittal of federal grant applications to the State Clearinghouse.

C. Appointments to Committees

Board approved President King's recommendations for the following committee appointments:

Golden Gate National Recreation Advisory Commission

Richard Bartke – re-nomination

Bay Area Bioscience Board of Directors

Supervisor Leslie Katz, San Francisco

D. Authorization to Enter into a Contract with the City of Oakland

The Board authorized the San Francisco Bay Trail Project to enter into a contract with the City of Oakland in the amount of \$152,000 for the planning and design of a bicycle and pedestrian trail project near Oakland's Lake Merritt. Bay Trail Project staff will administer the contract and the planning and design work will be performed by a combination of Bay Trail Project staff and contractors.

E. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission

The Board authorized Staff to submit a proposal to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) in the amount of \$140,000 for planning and implementation of the Bay Trail and, if the grant is awarded, to enter into an agreement with MTC. The source of MTC's grant funds would be Bridge Toll Revenues – Five Percent Reserve funds. Should the grant be awarded, ABAG will provide \$60,000 in matching funds and in-kind services.

F. Authorization to Submit Two Proposals to the California Department of Boating and Waterways

The Board authorized the Executive Director or his designee to submit the following proposals.

- 1) Submit a joint proposal between ABAG, the Estuary Project and the Regional Quality Control Board for \$200,000 to fund a boater education program for the prevention of pollution. If funded, an ABAG match of \$10,000 would be required.
- 2) Increase funding by \$12,000 for continuation of Santa Monica and San Francisco Clean Vessel Act projects. All work should be completed by September 30, 1999. Original authorization was for \$70,000 which will increase the total project to \$82,000.

G. Authorization to Submit a Proposal to the Taiwan Government

The Board authorized the Executive Director or his designee to submit a proposal to conduct training workshops and a study for the Taiwan Environmental Protection Administration in 2000. The study and workshops would cover Best Management Practices for Electronic Manufacturing and Incinerator Wastes and Hazardous Wastes Regulatory Management Strategies. ABAG staff would perform the work and if funded, would receive \$150,000 to conduct the training and study.

H. Authorization to Submit Two Proposals to USGS to Develop a Model Program for Collecting Post-disaster Information on Earthquake-induced Landslides and Creative Earthquake Educational Materials for Use by Intermediate and High School-aged Students

Board authorized the Executive Director or his designee to submit two separate studies. The first project would develop a model program for collecting post-disaster information on earthquake-triggered landslides with a budget of \$48,400, including an ABAG match of \$4,400 and three subcontracts totaling \$15,000. The second project would develop earthquake educational materials for ABAG's Internet site, for \$47,850, including an ABAG match of \$4,350 and a subcontract of \$6,000.

It was moved by Brown/S/Klatt/C/ that the consent calendar be approved.

**6. STATE BUDGET UPDATE**

Michael Cohen, Fiscal and Policy Analyst, State Legislative Analysts Office, reported that a robust economy and much higher-than-expected collections this spring has allowed the revenue forecast to be revised sharply upward. The May Revision shows increased revenues of \$1.6 billion in 1998-99 and \$2.7 billion in 1999-00, for a two-year increase of \$4.3 billion. Although the May Revision fully funds caseloads and most other anticipated costs, it remains vulnerable to budget threats – particularly relating to federal funds. The positive features of the revised plan includes major funding for infrastructure and deferred maintenance, restoration of commitments made to local governments last year, a general emphasis on one-time obligations, and an increase in the reserve.

**7. GROWTH TRENDS FOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**

Paul Fassinger, ABAG Research Director, described long term growth trends in population and employment for the counties surrounding the Bay Area. Between 2000 and 2040, population in most counties surrounding the Bay Area is expected to increase more than 100 percent. Total job growth is not expected to keep up with this dramatic surge in population. Increasingly the social and economic boundaries in the region are expanding.

**8. SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA OZONE ATTAINMENT PLAN**

Eugene Leong, ABAG Executive Director, shared the history of the Clean Air Act SIP Mandates and explained why it is increasingly difficult to reach attainment for the one-hour National Ozone Standard. In large part, weather patterns and temperatures make it nearly impossible to consistently meet the SIP guidelines in the Bay Area. The Board approved Delegation of the Public Hearing on the Federal Ozone Attainment Plan to the Bay Area Air Quality Management District. It was moved by Griffin/S/Bartke/C/. The public hearing will be held on June 16 and ABAG's Administrative Committee will consider adoption of the plan on June 17.

**9. LEGISLATION & GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE**

Chair, Jane Bartke, Councilmember, El Cerrito, presented an updated list of significant legislation and the position that ABAG has taken on each item (list available from Michelle Fadelli, ABAG). New legislation will be added to this list as the year progresses. Bartke requested Board support of the Committee recommendations. It was moved by Bartke/S/Kawczynski/C/. Rippey and Kawczynski voted no on AB 647 and Jacobs Gibson, Fleming and Green voted no on AB 178.

**10. REVIEW OF SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Gary Binger, ABAG Deputy Executive Director, shared the results of the recent General Assembly participant-voting on activities defined in the Draft Compact prepared by the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development. The following eight main actions are listed in the Compact:

- ☐ accommodate sufficient housing affordable to all income levels to match population increases and job generation;
- ☐ target transportation system investment to support efficient land use and decrease dependence on S.O.V. trips;
- ☐ preserve and restore San Francisco Bay and the region's habitat, farmland and open space;
- ☐ focus investment to preserve and revitalize neighborhoods;
- ☐ provide all residents with the opportunity for education and lifelong learning;
- ☐ use resources efficiently and eliminate waste;
- ☐ implement local government fiscal reforms and revenue sharing; and
- ☐ stimulate civic engagement.

**11. FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

A. Chair, Gwen Regalia, Walnut Creek, announced that a special meeting of the Committee would be held on June 17 to discuss the Financial Services program. The Committee recommended approval of Resolution 08-99 with the intention to make acquisition and improvements to begin the formation of a new Special Assessment District for the Windemere Ranch property. Resolution 09-99 was also recommended and would approve the preliminary form of the new Special Assessment District Engineer's Report. It was moved by Green/S/Griffin/C/ that both resolutions be passed. Rippey voted no and Brown abstained.

## **B. CLOSED SESSION**

**1. Personnel Action:** Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Title: Legal Counsel  
The evaluation was postponed until the June Finance and Personnel Committee meeting.

**2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation** – No report.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Eugene Y. Leong, Secretary-Treasurer